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Elba City Schools begins new school year with higher enrollment numbers

by Linda Hodge, Publisher

During a called Elba Board of Education meeting held Wednesday evening, Aug. 6, Superintendent Donny Powell noted that school was set to start the next day with enrollment numbers up for both the elementary and high school.

The 2025-2026 school year for students began Thursday, Aug. 7th.

"The teachers are ready to go tomorrow, and our numbers are up," Powell said during the board meeting. "Enrollment is up so that is

good."

He said the elementary school would begin the school year up approximately 30 students while the high school numbers would be up definitely five or six students. Also, the superintendent said there were others at the high school earlier in the day on Wednesday, and that could mean an even better increase in enrollment there.

"Things are looking good," Powell said. "I think we are on the right track."

Powell said with the number of students this year

including the Pre-K classes, the Elba School System should be above 600 students again. However, he said he anticipates that to be at 600 or above next school year just counting the K-12 students.

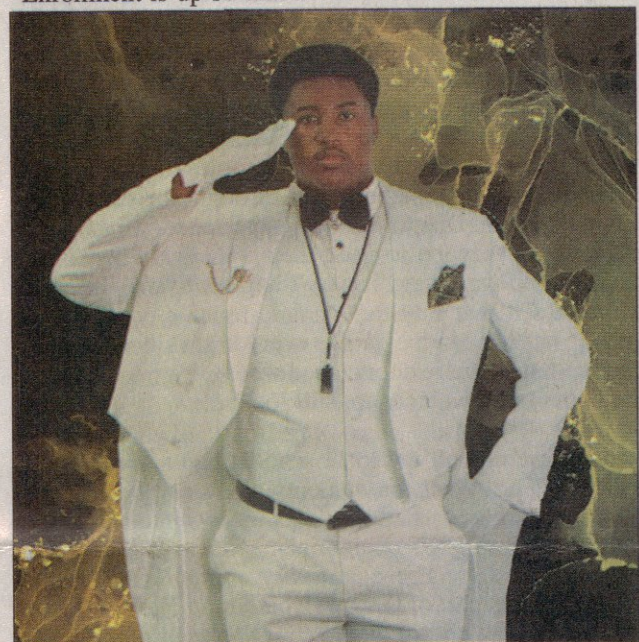
The superintendent said these are definite signs that good positive things are happening at Elba City Schools.

"Like I said, we are gaining in numbers, and that is a good thing," Powell said. "Lots of excitement, and I think people are noticing. Hopefully we can continue that."

In some final actions preparing for the start of school on Thursday, the board approved a recommendation to hire Lynette Medley as a special education aide for the elementary school.

For the Elba Career Academy, Jamie Hudson was transferred from his position as agriculture teacher to the JAG instructor while Adam Godwin was transferred from the JAG instructor spot to the agriculture teacher. Godwin also will handle the Co-Op Education program too.

The board will meet Tuesday, Aug. 19, at 5:30 p.m. for its regular monthly board meeting. There also is a called meeting of the board set for Wednesday, Aug. 20, where information from the superintendent's office indicates the board will immediately vote to enter an executive session at that called meeting.



School is underway, and Elba City Schools will hold the Night of the Champions event this Friday evening, Aug. 15, in preparation of the upcoming football season. The event will begin at 7 p.m. at Tiger Stadium and will feature Elba's football players, cheerleaders and band members. Concessions will be sold. There is a \$5 admission fee for non-participants. One student excited for the night is senior drum major for the Elba Marching Tiger Band, Jalin Horstead (pictured above). He is ready for an exciting season.



City of Elba street department employees had a smelly mess to clean up Monday morning, Aug. 11, on E Davis Street (in front of National Security) after a poultry truck spilled chicken waste on the roadway. The road was closed for a period of time for clean up. Reportedly, the driver of the truck kept going after creating the mess, but city officials were able to identify and make contact with the person/company responsible.

Notice:

The Elba Clipper will host a 2025 Elba Municipal Election Candidate Forum next Thursday evening, Aug. 21, at 6 p.m.

The event will be held at the Elba Theatre, located on the square in downtown Elba. It is open to all.

Candidates seeking election for city council member and candidates seeking election for mayor have been invited to attend and participate. Each will be given time to address the voters.

After all candidates have spoken, there will be 'mingle time' to allow citizens to speak one-on-one with the candidates regarding city issues.

Area Happenings

The Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama will hold a meeting Saturday, Aug. 16, at 1 p.m., at Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama, Tribal Complex, Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama State Reservation, 2950 County Road 377, Elba, Alabama 36323.

The regular scheduled Elba City Council meeting for Monday, Aug. 25, has been rescheduled to Monday, Aug. 18, at 5:30 p.m. There will be an Elba Water and Electric Board meeting immediately following the Council meeting.

The Elba Lions Club will meet Tuesday, Aug. 19, at 6 p.m., at the Elba Senior Center. There will be a guest speaker attending. All members are encouraged to attend.

The Elba Planning and Zoning Board will have a public hearing Sept. 8, 2025, at 7:30 a.m., with a meeting immediately following at 7:45 a.m. to discuss an application for rezoning a property on Reese Avenue in Elba.



Emergency personnel in Elba responded to the scene of this three-vehicle accident last Tuesday evening, Aug. 5, at approximately 5:30 p.m. One person, the driver of the Nissan Maxima shown above, was transported to the hospital by ambulance for treatment of injuries. All involved were local residents. Reportedly, the Nissan and one of the other two trucks involved initially collided on Taylor Mill Road and then struck another truck that was sitting still at the stop sign on Country Club Way. The drivers of the trucks were not injured.

In Circuit Court of Coffee County, Enterprise Division

Defendant pleads guilty to amended charge of reckless murder in November 2021 death case of MyQuell Smith

On Monday, Aug. 11, Fredrick Wilder Jr. appeared before the Honorable Shannon Clark in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Enterprise Division, and entered a guilty plea to the amended charge of Reckless Murder for the Nov. 24, 2021 killing of 15-year-old MyQuell Smith in Enterprise.

12th Judicial Circuit District Attorney James Tarbox said by agreement with the State of Alabama, with full blessing and input of Smith's parents, Wilder was sentenced to 35 years in the Alabama Department of Corrections.

"Defendant Wilder's case was set for trial that was to commence on August 11th. A jury had been seated, and the parties were prepared for opening statements," Tarbox said. "The State was represented by Assistant District Attorneys Mary Katherine Head and Ternaisha Jones. Following jury selection and over the weekend, the parties engaged in settlement discussions and reached the final agreement on the evening of Sunday, Aug. 10th.

Tarbox said the State intended to present facts and evidence at trial that would have shown that MyQuell Smith and his friends were attempting to play a prank on another high school stu-



Fredrick Wilder Jr.

dent that was their friend. The friend lived next door to Wilder and his family.

"Defendant Wilder's brother-in-law, DeAndre Flowers, saw MyQuell and his friends and made an erroneous assumption

of unlawful conduct occurring at Defendant Wilder's house," he said. "Upon seeing this, Flowers engaged MyQuell and his friends, who got into their vehicle and left with MyQuell sitting in a rear passenger seat. Flowers pursued them through Enterprise at high rates of speed. During the pursuit of MyQuell and his friends, Flowers contacted Defendant Wilder and his wife."

Tarbox said Defendant Wilder intercepted Flowers pursuing MyQuell and his friends in the vi-

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News Brief: Two killed in Sunday morning wreck

A single-vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 5 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, claimed two lives.

Brian J. Baldwin, age 46, of New Brockton, was fatally injured when the 2003 Nissan Frontier he was driving left the roadway on Coffee County Rd. 127 near Coffee County Rd. 147, overturned, and struck several trees. Brittany Faye Dakota Taylor, age 22, of Arifton, a passenger of the Nissan, also was fatally injured.

Alabama State Troopers said Baldwin and Taylor were not using a seat belt at the time of the crash and were pronounced deceased at the scene. The wreck was approximately 10 miles northeast of New Brockton in Coffee County.

The crash was investigated by the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA), the Coffee County Sheriff's Office, the 12th Judicial District Attorney's Office, and the Coffee County Coroner's Office.



Emergency personnel in Elba responded to the scene of a two-vehicle wreck last Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 6, just after 1 p.m. in the area of 1620 Smith Avenue. Upon arrival on scene, emergency personnel found one vehicle with damage to the front of the vehicle disabled in the roadway while the second vehicle was overturned just off the road (as shown above). One person was taken to the hospital for treatment, but the injuries did not appear to be serious. Reportedly, the driver of the truck attempted to go around the other vehicle that was waiting to turn into a driveway, and that resulted in the two vehicles colliding.

EDITORIAL

Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, July 29, through Monday, August 4, 2025, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center –

Tuesday, July 29 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 900 Martin Luther King Dr (2:47 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 205 Buford St (3:49 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 242 Dr Roberts Dr (12:52 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at 20389 Hwy 87 (7:31 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 429 Plant Ave (8:04 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, and one citation.

Wednesday, July 30 – Vehicle accident reported at Martin Luther King Dr and Adams Ave (1:44 p.m.); Vehicle accident reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (4:02 p.m.); Vehicle accident reported at Old Curtis Rd and Lindsey St (4:58 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at Hwy 84 and Hwy 141 (4:59 p.m.); Traffic hazards/complaints reported at Claxton Ave N and Hwy 203 (5:55 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one written warning, one citation, and one arrest.

Thursday, July 31 – Suspicious person reported at Davis St W and Yelverton Ave (2:48 a.m.);

Animal complaint reported at 804 Davis St W (9:20 a.m.); Harassment reported at 702 Newton St (11:41 a.m.); Vehicle accident reported at Taylor Mill Rd and Hwy 203 (8:28 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, one written warning, and two citations.

Friday, August 1 – Suspicious person reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (1:36 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1425 Martin Luther King Dr (6:55 a.m.); Breaking and entering of a motor vehicle reported at 1331 Forest Lake Dr (7:58 a.m.); Breaking and entering of a motor vehicle reported at 1221 Forest Lake Dr (9:45 a.m.); Identity theft reported at 1243 Neil Grantham Dr (2:27 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in four verbal warnings, one written warning, and two arrests.

Saturday, August 2 – Domestic complaint reported at 342 County Rd 358 (12:22 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 412 Claxton Ave N – w/arrest (3:04 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 1106 Caroline St – w/arrest (9:34 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 517 Williams Ave (4:40 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in one citation, four verbal warnings, and one written warning.

Sunday, August 3 – Animal complaint reported at 516 Williams Ave (2:58 p.m.); Vehicle accident reported at Neil Grantham Dr and Flournoy Ave (8:49 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in two written warnings, three citations, and one verbal warning.

Monday, August 4 – Vehicle accident reported at 804 Hwy 203 (12:40 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 517 Williams Ave (8:27 a.m.); Burglary – already occurred reported at 739 Claxton Ave N (11:30 a.m.); Sexual assault/rape reported at a residence on Riverview Dr (11:49 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 716 Williams Ave S (12:53 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 745 Williams Ave S (1:00 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 338 Davis St E (5:06 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in citations.

Tuesday, August 5 – Suspicious person reported at 726 Williams Ave S (6:05 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1425 Martin Luther King Dr – w/impound (7:49 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 732 Lee St (1:25 p.m.); Damage to property reported at 429 Claxton Ave N (1:40 p.m.); Vehicle accident reported at 371 Tiger Dr (5:29 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 988 Hwy 203 (6:39 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at Simmon St and Claxton Ave N – w/arrest (6:58 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in two citations and three written warnings.

Wednesday, August 6 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 991 Hwy 203 (4:03 a.m.); Harassment reported at 643 Claxton Ave N (6:50 a.m.); Vehicle accident reported at 4133 Hwy 125 (7:31 a.m.); Missing person reported at 120 Old Samson Rd (8:00 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1425 Martin Luther King Dr (8:51 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 732 Lee St (12:23 p.m.); Vehicle accident reported at 1621 Smith Ave (1:16 p.m.); Fraudulent use of a credit/debit card reported at 1207 Claxton Ave N (2:11 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 371 Tiger Dr (4:07 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 839 Troy Hwy (8:14 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 100 Beaver Dam St (8:46 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 100 Beaver Dam St (10:50 p.m.); Suspicious

circumstances reported at 656 Reynolds Ave (11:20 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in three citations, one written warning, two verbal warnings, and one arrest.

Thursday, August 7 – Animal complaint reported at 174 County Rd 23 (8:16 a.m.); Reckless driver reported at Smith Ave and Hwy 203 (1:00 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at Hwy 84 and Davis St E (6:12 p.m.); Abandoned vehicle reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (11:11 p.m.). Nine traffic stops resulted in one arrest, four citations, one verbal warning, two written warnings, and one no action taken.

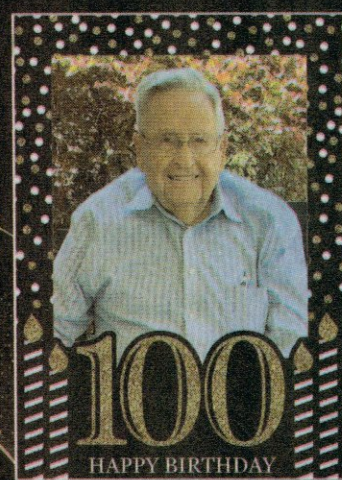
Friday, August 8 – Reckless driver reported in area of Hwy 84/Flournoy Dr-Hwy 203 (7:40 a.m.); Report of a person down (unknown reason) at 720 Davis St E (3:24 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 804 Simmons St (8:34 p.m.). Eight traffic stops resulted in one written warning, five citations, and two verbal warnings.

Saturday, August 9 – Vehicle accident reported at 1225 Farris Ave (12:59 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 517 Williams Ave (2:23 p.m.); Report of shots fired at 981 County Rd 239 (7:46 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at 988 Hwy 203 (9:06 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in verbal warnings.

Sunday, August 10 – Report of a person down (reason unknown) at 804 Hwy 203 (12:39 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 19860 Hwy 87 (2:05 a.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of Cedar Lane Dr and Gibson St (2:22 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 990 Hwy 203 (3:03 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 925 Neil Grantham Dr (4:47 a.m.).

Monday, August 11 – Suspicious person reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (12:07 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 342 Court Ave (12:45 a.m.); Fraudulent use of a credit/debit card reported at 2815 Old Curtis Rd (7:33 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 429 Plant Ave (7:47 a.m.); Fire reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (8:09 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 839 Troy Hwy (4:42 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in one citation, three written warnings, and one verbal warning.

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Windy Thoughts

with Linda Hodge, Publisher

We recently were the victim of a breaking and entering of a motor vehicle. Luckily, those who decided they could plunder through our vehicle without permission did not get anything of much value in their quest, but it still did not sit well with us for this to happen. We generally have our vehicle parked inside our home garage overnight, but on this one occasion, we had left it outside the garage and forgot to lock the doors. The thief did manage to find a wallet in our center console that he/she took, but fortunately, we did not have anything of value in said wallet at the time. Regardless, the incident ruined the entire day for us because quite frankly we felt violated because someone went through our stuff without permission. Due to our own experience, we strongly encourage everyone to lock their vehicles when unattended. You can't say "it won't happen to me" because we once felt that way too - not so much anymore. Our vehicle has been in the garage every night since the incident with the garage door closed when we go to bed, and the doors to the vehicle are still locked!!

Reports are that all the local schools had a great "back to school" last week for students. We saw photos from Elba City Schools where students were welcomed at the front doors by teachers, administrators, and even local church members. The elementary school kiddos even got bubbles as part of their welcome fun! The smiles we saw on faces in photos were enough to tell us that it was a good return to school.

Last week, we also were pleased to hear Elba superintendent Donny Powell report that enrollment would be up at both the elementary and high schools to start the new school year! The elementary school started the new year with some 30 new students while the high school had at least 5 or 6 new students. That is very encouraging to hear...it was even better when Powell said he expects overall enrollment to continue to grow! Things are looking up at Elba City Schools. Well done, folks!!

August 26th

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August 24, 2025

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Obituaries

BRIAN JUSTIN BALDWIN

Mr. Brian Justin Baldwin, age 46, of New Brockton, Ala., died Sunday, Aug. 10, 2025, at County Road 147 in New Brockton.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2025, at 2 p.m., at Church on the Hill with Rev. David Mosley and Rev. Chad Ellis officiating. Burial followed in the Church on the Hill cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba, Ala., directing. Visitation was at the church on Wednesday from 1-2 p.m.

Survivors include his son, Alexander "Alex" Jayton Baldwin, New Brockton; his father, Danny Baldwin; his brother, Jason Baldwin, Arifton, Ala.; his sister, Jennifer Baldwin [and her partner Kenneth Bush], Anniston, Ala.

J.W. "FELIX" COON

Mr. J. W. "Felix" Coon, age 89, died Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2025, at a nursing facility in Dothan, Ala.

Mr. Coon was born Nov. 17, 1935, in Opp, Ala., to Mervis Daugherty Coon and Snodie Wilson Coon. He was a graduate of Elba High School, Class of 1954, and a veteran of the U.S. Air Force.

In accordance with Mr. Coon's wishes, there will be no public services.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Teresa Coon Scholz of Amarillo, Texas.

Survivors include his daughter, Cindy (Alan) Cobb, Enterprise, Ala.; his sister, Linda Young, Dothan; and his grandson, Roman Scholz, Amarillo.

CASE

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cinity of Adams and Mack Street in Enterprise, where Defendant Wilder fired multiple shots from a 9mm pistol towards the vehicle occupied by MyQuell and his friends. Multiple rounds struck the vehicle and two of those rounds ultimately struck MyQuell, one in his back and one in his arm. MyQuell Smith died of his gunshot wounds.

"First, I want to thank and commend ADAs Head and Jones for their work on this case," Tarbox said. "Without their hard work and preparation, the State would not have been in a position to be as successful in prosecuting this matter. Second, I want to thank the family of MyQuell Smith for trusting our office to properly prosecute and handle this case, where they senselessly and tragically lost their son, MyQuell.

Tarbox said this never should have happened.

"Lastly, it must be addressed that based on a false and erroneous belief, Defendant Fredrick Wilder decided to take violent, senseless, and completely unnecessary action on November 24, 2021," he said. "There is no excuse or valid reason for anyone to shoot a gun at a group of teenagers who were just having fun trying to prank their friend."

The District Attorney thanked the Enterprise Police Department, Alabama State Bureau of Investigation, the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences, and the Wiregrass Angel House for their work and support in the investigation and prosecution of this case.

*DeAndre Flowers previously entered a plea to the charge of Manslaughter for his participation and actions on November 24, 2021, that led to the death of MyQuell Smith.

ARKIE JASON "JAYBO" PRICE

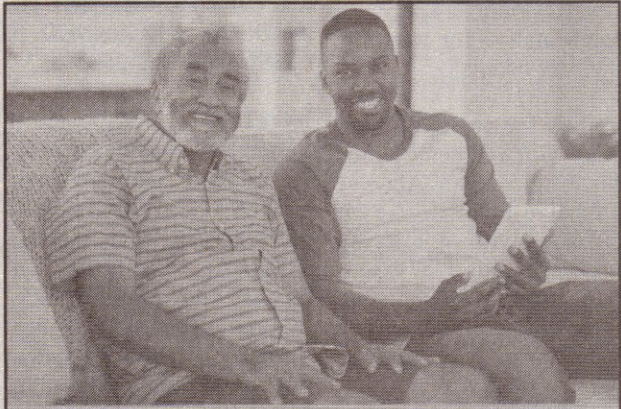
Mr. Arkie Jason "Jaybo" Price, age 57, of Elba, Ala., died peacefully at home Saturday, Aug. 9, 2025, while surrounded by his family.

Jaybo was the definition of main character energy! He was so lively with his gift for gab, love of people, and dry sense of humor that he kinda brought the party wherever he went, and don't get this avid Auburn v. Alabama rivalry!!! He would even argue with his sister, Barbara, about that topic, and she was usually the only person he wouldn't argue with.

Truly, once Jaybo loved you, he always loved you. There's true security and faith in the knowledge you can never lose someone's love, no matter what, and that was valued more than gold with his family. Jaybo was a great mechanic and worked for the City of Elba for many years. He loved tending to his garden, which produced some outstanding watermelons, and his little batch of chickens he raised himself. Music, especially the classics like Elvis, was a love he shared with his daughter...though in truth, he might've favored her husband Adam a little bit more (and he always called shotgun when they all rode together)! Above all, he was a devoted husband, father, and "PawPaw Jason" to his cherished grandchildren. He also stayed close with his own siblings and their children. He was the rock his family was built upon, especially to his wife Sherry, and he meant more to them than could possibly be captured in words. Funeral services were held Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2025, from the Chapel of Turners Funeral Home in Luverne, Ala., with Pastor

Ray Milten officiating. Burial followed in Zoar Cemetery with Turners Funeral Home directing. Jaybo was preceded in death by his parents, Alpha Leon & Sybil Gaynell Best Price; sister, Karen Lathem Price; and brother-in-law, Gerald White.

Survivors include his loving wife of 25 years, Sherry Bowden Price; children, Nikki Price (Adam) Blocker, and Dustin (Kaitlyn) Williams; grandchildren, Lily Blocker, Chloe Blocker, Laine Williams, and Rowan Williams; siblings, Barbara White, Gary (Lisa) Price, Bobby (Patricia) Price, Winona Gentry, Sharon (Lee) Gideon, and Tony (Wendy) Price; along with a host of nieces, nephews, extended family members, and friends.



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Todd Herendeen to perform concert Aug. 23rd in Elba at Elba Theatre

The Elba Theatre will be jamming Saturday evening, Aug. 23, when singer Todd Herendeen and his band stop in to deliver a Tribute to the Legends concert.

From Panama City Beach, Fla., Herendeen said he has been performing for many years, and simply loves it.

Beyond Floriday, he said he and his band enjoy traveling all over the country delivering concerts in smaller venues like the Elba Theatre.

"We have so much fun performing these smaller concerts," he said. "If you enjoy the legends, like Orbison, Elvis, and others, this will be a fun evening for you.

Coffee County residents Randle and Sandra Moore are the local connection that helped to set up the Elba concert.

Herendeen said he has known the couple for many years, and they are good friends.

"Randle asked me about coming to the area to perform if he helped set things up, and I was all for it," Herendeen said. "We are excited to come to Elba later this month and deliver



a musical show that all will enjoy."

Randle Moore said catching a Todd Herendeen concert is well worth it. He and Sandra encourage anyone who enjoys music from the 50's, 60's and 70's to make plans to be in Elba Aug. 23rd for the concert.

The doors will open at 6:15 that night with the concert set to begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person or \$45 for two. Call (850) 381-0310 to purchase tickets or online at ToddHerendeenTheatre.com.

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A Family Plot. A family plot is just that. It is a space large enough for multiple family members to be buried. A family plot must all be purchased at one time to reserve the space.

An Urn Plot. An urn plot is a smaller space for the burial of a cremation urn. Depending on the size of the plot, it is possible for multiple family members to be buried there.

A Mausoleum. A mausoleum is an above ground building designed to hold caskets. With a private mausoleum, you can build it as large as you wish to accommodate as many family members as you want. Another option is a community mausoleum, which can house many caskets. A family could choose to purchase multiple crypts inside a community mausoleum.

A Columbarium. A columbarium is a building with niches to hold cremation urns. Families can purchase several niches together. As with a family plot, these will likely all need to be purchased at the same time.

Home Burial. In some areas it may be possible to be buried on your own land or in private family cemetery. If this is the case, you will want to check with your local government office to find out if there are any restrictions or permits required.

There are multiple options available for families wanting to be buried together. Make sure you talk to your family members before deciding what you want to do, however, as it can be difficult to resell grave plots once they have been purchased.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at hayesfh@hayesfuneralhome.net

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JUDY KAYE SHERLING DECEASED
CASE NO.: PC-2025-051

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 24th day of July, 2025, by the Hon. Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of COFFEE County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
GLEN T. BARNES, III
By: /s/ Chelsea Hester
Attorney for Personal Representative
7/31, 8/7 & 14-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF: LYNDIA GAIL RICHARDSON, DECEASED.
CASE NO.: PC-2025-053

NOTICE

Letters of Testamentary on the estate of said deceased, LYNDIA GAIL RICHARDSON, having been granted to Gussie Mae Helms on the 22nd day of July, 2025, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
Done this the 22nd day of July, 2025.
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
HON. JODEE R. THOMPSON
Probate Judge
Coffee County, Alabama
7/31, 8/7 & 14-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF KIRK CARL WEBER, DECEASED.
CASE NO.: PC-2008-031

NOTICE

To: Mathias Charles Weber
You will please take notice that on the 22nd day of July, 2025, an Application for Approval of the Transfer of Property and an Application for Final Settlement of Estate were filed by April Schultz, Administrator of the Estate of Kirk Carl Weber, and that the 28th day of August, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. was appointed the day for the hearing of the same at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba Division, Alabama, at which time you may appear and contest same, if you see proper.
DONE this 22nd day of July, 2025.
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson
Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama
7/31, 8/17, 14 & 21-chg

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY FAYE JOHNSON, DECEASED.
CASE NO. PR-2025-155

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Lisa Lozano Johnson and Teresa Denise Patterson, as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Shirley Faye Johnson, deceased, on the 30th day of July, 2025 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having

claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate
8/7, 14 & 21-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF PEGGY JOE (ALLEN) WESLEY, Deceased.
Case No. PR-2025-125
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted the 31st day of July, 2025, to Hale Bradford Allen as Administrator of the Estate of Peggy Joe (Allen) Wesley, deceased, who departed this life on the 21st day of March, 2024, by the Hon. Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
/s/ Hale Bradford Allen
Hale Bradford Allen Administrator of the Estate of Peggy Joe (Allen) Wesley, Deceased
8/7, 14 & 21-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ALEXANDER BLAKE BECKER, DECEASED.
CASE NO.: 25-116

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Ancillary Letters Testamentary on the Estate of ALEXANDER BLAKE BECKER, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 31st day of July, 2025, by the Honorable Toby Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or such claims will be barred.
/s/ Crystal Khan
CRYSTAL KHAN
Personal Representative
8/7, 14 & 21-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The estate of SHIRLEY RILEY WOODHAM, Deceased.
Case No.: 2024-792

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

To: Any and All Other Heirs of Shirley Riley Woodham

Please take note a Petition for Final Settlement having been filed in the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given by publication that a hearing has been set for the 28th day of August, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at Geneva County Probate Court located at 200 N. Commerce Street, Geneva, AL 36340. All Persons having interest in this matter must appear at said time and place if not otherwise notified.
Done this 30th day of July, 2025.
/s/ Toby L. Seay
Toby Seay, Judge of Probate
/s/ Preston Register
PRESTON REGISTER (REG 001)

Attorney for Estate
256 Honeysuckle Rd, Suite 16
Dothan, Alabama 36305
334-678-0100
8/7, 14 & 21-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE MATTER OF Alice Marie Ivey, An incapacitated person.
CASE NO. PC 2019-059

NOTICE

On the 15th day of July, 2025, came the Conservator, Laura Ivey Wood, and filed a sworn Petition for Final Settlement of the Estate of Alice Marie Ivey. This Honorable Court has appointed the 9th day of September, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba, Alabama as the day for the hearing on review of the accounting and final settlement of this said Estate at which time you may appear and contest same, if you see proper.
DONE THIS 7TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
HON. JODEE R. THOMPSON
Probate Judge
Coffee County, Alabama
8/14, 21 & 28-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THE-RESA CAROL LOLLEY, DECEASED, JACKIE LOLLEY, PETITIONER.
CASE NO.: PR-2025-137

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 11th day of August, 2025, by Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
/s/ Jack Lolley
Jackie Lolley, Administrator

Jeffery D. Hatcher
Attorney for the Estate of Theresa Carol Lolley
Post Office Box 189
300 South Commerce Street
Geneva, Alabama 36340
334-684-8524
8/14, 21 & 28-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF, JONATHAN DREW GOODSON, DECEASED.
CASE NO. PR-2025-139

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary of Jonathan Drew Goodson having been granted to James Louis Goodson, Personal Representative, on the 11th day of August, 2025, by the Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
Done and Ordered on August 11, 2025.
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Probate Judge Jodee Thompson
8/14, 21 & 28-pd.

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Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe to hold Aug. 16 meeting

The Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama is applying for both the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program Grant (LIHEAP) and the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) for the counties of Coffee, Crenshaw, Covington, Geneva, Houston, Dale, and Pike in Alabama.

Applications are available at the Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama Tribal Complex, located at Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama State Reservation, 2950 County Road 377, Elba, Alabama 36323.

Elba, Alabama 36323. Appointments can be scheduled to view the applications, or a copy can be emailed.

A meeting will be held on Saturday, Aug. 16, at 1 p.m. at Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama, Tribal Complex, Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama State Reservation, 2950 County Road 377, Elba, Alabama 36323.

For additional information, contact Vice Chief Nancy Carnley at ncarnley@machistribe.com or 334-897-3207.



Local members of the Elba High School Class of 1966 held their regular monthly class breakfast Tuesday, Aug. 12, at Ms. Linda's restaurant in downtown Elba. The food was delicious and the fellowship was very enjoyable. Those present included (left to right): Terry Calhoun, Eddie Thompson, Neal Hutto, John Lawless, Harry Young, Jackey Tindol, Butch Oggs, Kenneth Baker, Bobby Edmondson, Lenore Anglin Tanner, and (server) Addison Mashburn. There was an empty chair in place for Sara Warr Strong who is generally in attendance but could not make it this month.

LEGAL NOTICES: (More Legal Notices on Page 4)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, GENEVA COUNTY, IN THE PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 25-111

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Terry Eugene Tew, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 21st day of July, 2025, by the Judge of the Probate Court of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Respectfully Submitted on this the 21st day of July, 2025.

/s/ Deborah Bradley Tew

Deborah Bradley Tew

Personal Representative of said Estate.

Jeffrey T. Gray
Attorney for Estate
Post Office Box 224
Geneva, Alabama 36340
(334) 248-6666
7/31, 8/7 & 14-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF Robert Hill Evans, Deceased. CASE NO. PR-2025-153

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary of Robert Hill Evans, deceased, having been granted to Christine Marie Shaw, Personal Representative, on the 28th day of July, 2025, by the Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson
Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama
Richard W. Whittaker, At-

torney
300 E. Lee Street
Enterprise, AL 36330
(334) 393-5146
7/31, 8/7 & 14-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF HELGA K. LEONARD, DECEASED CAUSE NO. PR-2025-141

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 28th day of July, 2025, by the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, to PEGGY SUE CHAVES to serve as Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF HELGA K. LEONARD, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims in or against the Estate of Helga K. Leonard that they shall and will be required to present any and all claims against said Estate to Clerk of the Court for probate and registration as is required within the time allowed by law, or said claims will be barred.

/s/ Charles H. Ellzey
Charles H. Ellzey (ELL077)
Estate Attorney
PO Box 764
Elba, AL 36323
334-403-5691
chas@chellzeylaw.com
7/31, 8/7 & 14-pd

CASE NO. PR-2025-108 NOTICE OF HEARING RE LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION State of Alabama, Probate Court of Coffee County In the matter of the Estate of: RUSSELL EDWIN HOLLINHEAD, deceased, Case No. PR 2025-108:

To the heir(s) at law of the aforementioned matter: On the 28th day of July 2025, the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate for Coffee County, Alabama set a second hearing date in regard to the approval

or denial of the Petition to Probate the Will of Russell Edwin Hollinhead, deceased, approval or denial of Petition of Clayton Eugene Hollinhead to serve as Executor of Estate, and the granting or denial of Letters of Administration to Clayton Eugene Hollinhead as Executor, for the Estate Russell Edwin Hollinhead, deceased. Trial to be held on the 3rd day of September 2025 at 8:30 A.M. Hearing location: Coffee County Probate Court, 101 S. Edwards Street, Enterprise, Alabama, 36330. Notice is hereby given to aforementioned heir(s) at law of said Estate Filings, of forthcoming hearing regarding the approval or denial of: Clayton Eugene Hollinhead's Petition to Probate the Will of Russell Edwin Hollinhead, Petition of Clayton Eugene Hollinhead to serve as Executor of the Estate, and the granting of Letters of Administration to Petitioner aforementioned in this matter. 7/31, 8/7, & 14-chg.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL, DISPOSAL and REDUCTION CONTRACT COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

Sealed proposals will be received by the Coffee County Commission at the Office Complex in New Brockton, Alabama, until 9:00 A.M., September 10, 2025, and then publicly opened for furnishing all labor, equipment, materials and performing all work required by Coffee County and described as follows: **Provide services to remove, dispose and reduce all eligible disaster generated debris from Coffee County, Alabama Rights-of-Way (ROW) including county roads, state roads, city streets, parks, public property and drainage easements. The area to be included as part of this contract is located entirely within the limits of Coffee County.**

The contract period shall be for 12 months with an option to issue a second and third 12-month contract under the same pricing, terms and conditions. A certified check or bid bond payable to the Coffee County Commission for an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid, \$10,000.00 maximum, must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith. Specifications and Proposals may be obtained at the Coffee County Engineer's Office, 1165 East McKinnon Street, New Brockton, Alabama from 6:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday (telephone 334/894-6112). No proposal fee is required. No bids will be considered unless the bidder, whether resident or non-resident of Alabama, is properly qualified to submit a proposal for this work in accordance with all applicable laws of the State of Alabama. This shall include evidence of holding a current and duly license from the State Licensing Board for General Contractors, Montgomery, Alabama, as required by Chapter 8 of Title 34, of the Code of Alabama, 1975. In addition, non-residents of the State, if a corporation, shall show evidence of having qualified with the Secre-

tary of State to do business in the State of Alabama. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

Kim Ellis, Chairman
Coffee County Commission
8/7, 14 & 21-chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GERALD WHITEHEAD, DECEASED. CASE NO. 25-118

NOTICE OF PROBATE COURT PROCEEDING

Notice is hereby given that a verified Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by Shirely Diane Whitehead on August 11, 2025, and that 30 days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to the law of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

/s/ Toby L. Seay
Judge of Probate
Attorney for Estate
Jeff Gray, Attorney at Law, P.C.
P.O. Box 224
Geneva, AL 36340
8/14-pd

PUBLICATION NOTICE IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ELBA DIVISION, ALABAMA

RE: In the Matter of the Adoption Petition of Jason Adam Taylor and Cindy Caywood Taylor
Case No.: PC-2025-29

TO: Darien Kimal Solomon and any potential, alleged, or unknown fathers, address unknown

Please take notice that a petition for adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Covington County, Alabama, and was subsequently transferred to the Probate Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, Alabama, by Jason Adam Taylor and Cindy Caywood Taylor on March 3, 2025, for the adoption of D.K.S., Jr., born November 18, 2009 in Birmingham, Alabama to Lacey Lynn Schmidt.

A hearing has been set in the Probate Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, Coffee County Courthouse, 230 Court St, Elba, AL 36323. Should you intend to contest this adoption you must file a written response with the attorney for the petitioner, Hon. Samuel McLure, P.O. Box 231538, Montgomery, AL 36123 and with the Clerk of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, Alabama, as soon as possible but no later than thirty (30) days from the last day this notice is published. Failure to appear at this hearing or failure to file a written response within thirty (30) days from the last day this notice is published may be construed by the court as implied consent to the adoption and as a waiver of a right to appear and of further notice of the adoption proceedings. If the adoption is approved, the parental rights of all fathers, if any, will be considered to be terminated. 8/14, 21, 28 & 9/4-chg.

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BROCKTON, ALABAMA MCKEE PROJECT NO: 25-205

Sealed proposals for this project shall be received by Mrs. Kelly Cobb, Superintendent at the Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road Elba, AL 36323, Ph: 334-897-5016, until 2:00 PM Central Time, Tuesday, September 2, 2025, then opened and read aloud.

All General Contractors bidding on the project shall be required to visit the site and examine all existing conditions prior to submitting their proposal and shall be arranged by the contractor with the principal at the school.

The projects shall be bid excluding taxes. Bids must be submitted on proposal forms furnished by the Architect or copies thereof. No bid may be withdrawn after scheduled closing for receipt of bids for a period of ninety (90) days. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technical errors if, in the Owners judgment, the best interests of the Owner will thereby be promoted.

A certified check or Bid Bond payable to the Coffee County Schools in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, but in no event more than \$10,000.00 must accompany the bidder's proposal. Performance and statutory labor and material payment bonds will be required at the signing of the Contract.

All bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Architect. All bidders shall show such evidence by clearly displaying their current license number on the outside of sealed envelope in which the proposal is delivered. PDFs of the project can be

reviewed by going to the McKee website at www.mckeeassoc.com and selecting "Project Bid List". Also, if you are not receiving NOTIFICATIONS from us, please register on our website, "Project Bid List" by selecting manage your bid list profile. The documents may be viewed online and printed by General Contractors, Sub-Contractors and Suppliers. Documents published through this procedure are the only documents endorsed by the Architect. The Architect is unable to monitor, confirm and maintain other websites that provide documents. Addendums will be provided to entities that have CONFIRMED bidding for this particular project. The Architect retains ownership and copyrights of the documents. If bidders require printed sets, please submit request to the Architect at mckeeplans@gmail.com. Include your first & last name, company name, address, phone number and the project name and number. Print sets are to be returned, in reusable condition, within ten days after bid opening.

All RFLs and RFAs regarding the bid documents shall be sent and addressed through emails found on the RFI and RFA forms in the project manual. **NOTE: ONLY THE RFI AND RFA FORMS IN THE PROJECT MANUAL WILL BE ACCEPTED.** The Architect will not accept inquiries via telephone or fax.

Completion Time: See scope of work in Project Manual.

Supervision: Contractor to ensure proper supervision of all work.

Owner: Mrs. Kelly Cobb, Superintendent, Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road Elba, AL 36323, Phone: 334-897-5016

Architect: McKee and Associates Architects, Inc., 631 South Hull Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104, Phone: 334-834-9933

8/14, 21 & 28-chg.

Resolution 07282025

A Resolution to Appoint the 2025 Election Officials

WHEREAS, a regular municipal election has been called to be held on the 26th day of August 2025, and a runoff election to be held, if necessary, on the 23rd day of September 2025; and WHEREAS, Section 11-46-27 of the Alabama Code 1975, and regulations adopted pursuant thereto provide, in part, that the municipal governing body, no less than 10 days before holding of any municipal election, appoint from the municipality officers to hold the election as follows: where electronic ballot counters are used, at least one inspector and three clerks; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Elba, Alabama, that the 2025 Election Officers for said election shall be as follows:

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Wayne Sutley
Poll List Clerk: Nancy Crowe
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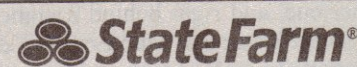
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED; the City Clerk may amend the above list as needed due to unforeseen circumstances.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED; each clerk will be paid one hundred and sixty dollars, and the inspector will receive one hundred and eighty-five dollars for work on August 26, 2025. Should a run-off election be needed all clerks and inspector will be paid at the same rate for September 23, 2025.

PASSES, ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS THE 28TH DAY OF JULY 2025.

Tom Maddox, Mayor
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8/14-chg.



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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Cannon spent the weekend with us again and his new favorite word is 'No.' He will do what we ask most of the time, but has no hesitation in telling us 'No' when it is something he doesn't want to do. It is amazing how much trouble a little two letter word can cause.

For what it is worth....

*** **The Elba Tigers celebrated a slight break** in the heat last week as they began the first official week of high school football practice. The Tigers have been hard at work all summer getting ready for the season, but last Monday was the first official day of workouts and that only added a sense of urgency to the players and coaches. I see the players out in the hot, summer sun every day and wonder how they make it through the grueling practices, but last week it hit me that the coaches are also out in the sun and heat every day, and it made me wonder what the summer heat takes out of a grown man during a two-hour practice. The players are dedicated to being their best, and so are the coaches that I'm sure suffer a little a lot of days. It is no doubt a sacrifice to play football, and also to coach, and we in Elba are proud of our folks that chose to wear the black and gold.

*** **It's hard to believe**, but the high school football season is only one week away. The official start of the season will take place at Cramton Bowl, in Montgomery, with the annual 'Kickoff Classic,' while a number of area teams will also be in action to get the season jump started. One big change this season for fans that can't make it out to the games is that Alabama Public TV will televise a game of the week every Thursday. In years past many football fans had to be on cable to watch a weekly game, but now APT will pick up the broadcast and everybody in the state will have an opportunity to a game every Thursday night. This news is just another good reason we call Alabama home.

*** **The Alabama Sports Writers Association** released its preseason high school football poll last week and what I have said all along about the Elba Tigers schedule was proved to be right, again, as six of the Tigers opponents were in the poll. Region foes McKenzie, Brantley and Georgiana all received mention in Class 1A, while non-region foes Goshen and Luverne both received votes in 2A and Glenwood got votes from the statewide panel in the 3A ranks. So, six of the top teams in the state in their respective classifications are on this year's schedule, which has to make it the toughest in the state. Oh yea, we can't forget to add in Florala, which went 7-4 last season for the third straight season and was in the playoffs. It just doesn't get any easier no matter how you turn the page!

*** **A few other notes about the poll....** (7A) Nothing ever changes among the state's 'Big Boys' as Thompson, Central of Phenix City, Hoover and Auburn sat atop the poll, with Enterprise and Dothan sliding in at the bottom of top ten, where many sportswriters believe the 7A teams in the south belong. (6A) Parker's success last season kept the Thundering Herd atop the poll in Class 6A, but the real powers are just behind with Clay Chalkville, Saraland and Spain Park next in line, while another south power Spanish Fort slips in at the bottom of the poll. (5A) Moody slipped in at the top spot thanks to lots of love from the North Alabama writers, while the real powers in the class are right behind with Vigor, Montgomery Catholic and Central Clay County lined up. (4A) Jackson, which could have as many quality athletes as any team in the state in any class, was the obvious pick to sit atop the 4A rankings, but from there it seems to lack any true threats as perennial runner-up Cherokee County sits at second, over-rated St. Michael's comes in at third and the rest of the standings are just good, but not championship-caliber teams. (3A) Mars Hill Bible sits in the top seat and is always a threat to take home the big prize, while down at number three is perennial power Fyffe, and lurking in sixth are Ronnie Cottrell's T.R. Miller Tigers, who are my pick to make some noise. (2A) Reeltown is very deserving of being ranked number one in the preseason poll, while rounding out the top three are Pisgah, which is a solid team and always wins its share of games, and Coosa Christian which is fighting for its existence with the AHSAA. Sleepers here are Tuscaloosa Academy and Clarke County. (1A) Wadley won it last year and is still loaded, making it an easy pick for preseason number one, and right behind it come perennial powers Leroy, Sweet Water and Maplesville. I'd say it's a pretty good guess this year's champs will come out of that group.

*** **Former Elba Tiger Alex Wright** missed last season with the Cleveland Bowns with an injury and many of his fans were a little worried about how he would do in his return. That question was answered last week in the Brown's 30-10 preseason win over Carolina as he had two tackles, one tackle for a loss and one quarterback hit. It was a great return for Wright and hopefully he is headed for his best season ever.

The Elba Tigers began their official preseason workouts on Aug. 4, and while the Tigers had been hard at work all summer, Coach Jon Cooper stated the date for practice to begin resulted in changes to the team's routine and brought with it new enthusiasm.

"We pretty much had the same schedule all summer in that we would come in early and get in the weight room, head out for special team work and then come back in the afternoon for a solid two hours of work," said Cooper, in his first season at the Elba helm. "The players still worked hard all week, but we were limited in what we could do and how long we could stay on the field due to AHSAA regulations, and it did cause a few minor hiccups at times. Now that school has started it created another change, as

the players had worked all summer on getting up early with the only thing on their minds was playing football, and now it is get up early, head to class and head back to the locker room after lunch. We certainly aren't complaining about the beginning of school, just that it too created a change in habits that we will have to grow in to."

Coach Cooper stated the players head to the locker room after lunch, hit weights, meet with their coaches and get ready to head outside for a couple of hours.

"We did start working on Luverne this week as much as we could, but all we know is what it did last season and that may not be what it is going to do opening night," added Cooper. "We will work on a lot of formations and assignments on defense, as well as making sure we

know our blocking rules on defense, and getting our quarterbacks ready to make quick reads. We do expect Luverne to be very physical and loaded with talent. So, we just have to work on what we can and make certain our fundamentals are solid and we make the basic plays. Our first priority is our own team, to get it ready and then make adjustments as we go in the game, and as the season goes on. We have to block and tackle, not make mistakes with penalties and not turn the ball over. We may be a little simple early on due to our lack of experience, but these players have never backed down from hard work and will play to win, no matter the opponent."

"We will lift weights every day, will work on basic fundamentals every day at practice and teach as we go," said Cooper.

**COACH JON COOPER**

"We have a great bunch of players that are anxious to get on the field and have worked hard for weeks and weeks. This is the team we will go to war with and have no doubts it will play hard and get better and better as the season goes."

Elba's season opener is set for Friday, Aug. 22, at 7:00 pm, at Tiger Stadium.

APT to televise high school game of the week

Alabama Public Television (APT) and the AHSAA Network will be joining forces this fall — giving the AHSAA its largest Game-of-the-Week TV coverage ever.

WOTM TV's Vince Earley said APT's partnership will give every home in the state access to the AHSAA's weekly high school football game of the week for the first time in history.

Alabama Public Television, in partnership with the AHSAA and WOTM TV, has broadcast live the AHSAA Super 7 State Football Championships the last two seasons, 2023 and 2024, as well as the AHSAA State Basketball Championships in 2024 and 2025. This will be the first time APT has added the highly acclaimed prep football games of the week.

This year's 12-game regular-season Game-of-the-Week lineup will kick off the 2025 prep football season August 21 and August 22 with the AHSAA 'Kickoff Classic' at Montgomery's Cramton Bowl. Class 7A Prattville High School will take on Class 6A Pike Road High School in the August 21 season opener, and Class 3A Fyffe High School will meet Class 1A Maplesville, two of the state's premier small-school powers, in the second game of this year's classic on Friday night at Cramton Bowl.

The remaining AHSAA TV Network Games of the Week will be played weekly on Thursday night for the rest of the regular season beginning with Central of Clay County at Benjamin Russell on Thursday, August 28. The first two weeks will display the AHSAA's two winningest head football coaches — Fyffe's Paul Benefield and Central of Clay County's Danny Horn.

The AHSAA TV Network broadcast team for the Kickoff Classic will include AHSAA Hall of Fame Coach Rick Rhoades, Emmy Award-winning TV commentator Mickey Shadrix, and veteran sideline reporter Chris Blackshear, who also serves

as the sideline reporter for Troy University's football broadcast team.

Fyffe's Benefield (360-59-0) ranks third all-time in the AHSAA football coaching leaderboard. Central of Clay County's Horn (363-98-0) is the state's leader. Terry Curtis, who retired as head coach at UMS-Wright after last season, closed out his coaching career ranked No. 2 in the AHSAA with 361-105 record.

Bobby Carr, who took over the Prattville program this season, has a 256-55-0 career record. Pike Road's Granger Shook is 21-7 in three seasons as the Patriots' head coach and 49-16 overall. Maplesville head coach Greg Abbott has a 102-53 career coaching record including 57-20 in six seasons at Maplesville. Fyffe and Maplesville have been the winningest schools in the state since 2010. Fyffe's Red Devils are 191-15 during that 15-year span, a 92.7% winning percentage. Maplesville has compiled a 170-29 record during the same period — an 85.4% winning rate.

The Game-of-the-Week slate includes showcasing two defending state champions, Thompson and Parker. The Warriors, winners of five 7A state titles in the last six years, will be featured on September 25 versus Clay-Chalkville, the 2023 and 2021 Class 6A state champs. Parker, which won the 6A state crown last season, will be featured October 23 in its Birmingham city battle with Woodlawn.

The Game-of-the-Week Slate will also highlight teams from all seven classes this season.

The regular-season slate will close with Class 5A UMS-Wright and Class 4A St. Michael Catholic. The Cardinals are coached by Alabama Sports Hall of Famer and longtime NFL great quarterback Philip Rivers (29-15). His son Gunner Rivers, a junior this season, is on pace to possibly become the AHSAA's all-time passing leader. St. Michael reached the Class 4A semifinals last season setting a school record for wins to finish

12-2.

The complete season schedule is as follows:

August 21 Pike Road vs. Prattville
August 22 Fyffe vs. Maplesville
August 28 Central Clay vs. Benjamin Russell
September 4 Auburn vs. Opelika
September 12 Hewitt-Trussville vs. Hoover
September 18 Satsuma vs. Orange Beach

September 25 Thompson vs. Clay Chalkville
October 2 Cullman vs. Hartselle
October 9 Madison County vs. Westminster Ch.
October 16 Ranburne vs. Loachapoka
October 23 Woodlawn vs. Parker
October 30 UMS-Wright vs. St. Michael Catholic

Elba Tigers ranked ninth in preseason 1A football poll

The Alabama Sports Writers Association released its preseason high school football rankings for the upcoming 2025 season last week and for the ninth time in last ten years the Elba Tigers were ranked in the 'Top 10' in the statewide prep poll.

Elba, which has advanced to the Class 1A semifinals each of the past two seasons, came in at #9 in the poll. The Tigers were ranked first in the preseason poll last season, and have been ranked in the preseason every year except one since back in 2014.

Other wiregrass teams making the preseason poll included Cottonwood, number four in Class 2A; Houston Academy, number seven in Class 3A; Enterprise, number nine in Class 7A; and, Dothan, number ten in Class 7A.

Class 1A, Region 2, regarded as the top region in the state in 1A circles, had two teams listed in the 'Top 10' in McKenzie at #5 and Elba at #9, while region teams that received votes included Brantley and Georgiana.

Two teams will begin the football season as unanimous #1 selections in defending state champs Jackson in Class 5A and Wadley in Class 1A. Other 2024 state champions earning number one rankings entering the season included (7A) Thompson, (6A) Parker, (3A) Mars Hill and (2A) Reeltown.

Following is the complete list of the teams in all seven classifications that were ranked in the 'Top 10,' as well as teams that received votes:

CLASS 7A — 1. Thompson, 2. Central Phenix City, 3. Hoover, 4. Auburn, 5. Hewitt-Trussville, 6. Mary Montgomery, 7. Vestavia Hills, 8. Opelika, 9. Enterprise, 10. Dothan. (Also receiving votes were James Clemens, Carver Montgomery, Austin and Oak Mountain.)

CLASS 6A — 1. Parker, 2. Clay-Chalkville, 3. Saraland, 4. Spain Park, 5. Pike Road, 6. Oxford, 7. Mountain Brook, 8. Muscle Shoals, 9. Hartselle, 10. Spanish Fort. (Also receiving votes were Benjamin Russell, Gadsden City, Homewood, Russell County, St. Paul's, Fort Payne, Hueytown, Chelsea, Athens and Helena.)

CLASS 5A — 1. Moody, 2. Vigor, 3. Catholic Montgomery, 4. Central Clay County, 5. Williamson, 6. Fairview, 7. Ramsay, 8. Guntersville, 9. Leeds, 10. Scottsboro. (Also receiving votes were Corner, Briarwood, Andalusia, Boaz, Demopolis, Northside, Shelby County.)

CLASS 4A — 1. Jackson, 2. Cherokee County, 3. St. Michael, 4. West Morgan, 5. Anniston, 6. Madison Academy, 7. Tallassee, 8. Pleasant Grove, 9. Good Hope, 10. North Jackson. (Also receiving votes were Dale County, Opp, Alexandria, Fairfield, Ashford, Hokes Bluff, Deshler, Handley and Oak Grove.)

CLASS 3A — 1. Mars Hill Bible, 2. Piedmont, 3. Fyffe, 4. Geraldine, 5. Gordo, 6. T.R. Miller, 7. Houston Academy, 8. Southside Selma, 9. Winfield, 10. Bayside Academy. (Also receiving votes were Collinsville, Randolph County, Glenwood, Montgomery Academy, Flomaton, Thomasville and Hillcrest Evergreen.)

CLASS 2A — 1. Reeltown, 2. Pisgah, 3. Coosa Christian, 4. Cottonwood, 5. Tuscaloosa Academy, 6. Clarke County, 7. Vincent, 8. Winston County, 9. Sulligent, 10. Pleasant Valley. (Also receiving votes were Goshen, Arton, Highland Home, Luverne and Susan Moore.)

CLASS 1A — 1. Wadley, 2. Leroy, 3. Sweet Water, 4. Maplesville, 5. McKenzie, 6. Spring Garden, 7. Hackleburg, 8. Berry, 9. Elba, 10. Millry. (Also receiving votes were Lynn, Winterboro, Brantley, Valley Head, Georgiana, Meek, Pickens County and Addison.)

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SPORTS NEWS

Elba Tigers determined to continue winning tradition

Over the last four high school football seasons the Elba Tigers have posted a total of 45 wins, with the average margin of victory being over 39 points per game. To say the Tigers will have some opponents looking for payback will be an understatement, and one that new head coach Jon Cooper fully understands heading into a season in the toughest region in Class 1A and a non-region schedule that includes a pair of 2A playoff performers and a 3A team that posted a 9-1 record in its initial season in the AHSAA.

"I have already talked with the players and they know we are going to have a target on our backs each and every week," stated Cooper. "Everybody that had 400 yards rushing, or forty or fifty points dropped on them the past four years is looking at this season as a chance to pay us back. We know that is a challenge we will be facing, but our goal as Elba Tigers is always to win every game we play, and that hasn't changed. We have a great group of players with a great mindset and a great mentality. We are young and inexperienced, but a lot of the players were on the team and got to see first-hand from the sidelines what it takes to win, and are anxious to get their chance."

Elba was led the past three seasons by a high-scoring offensive attack led by Alvin Henderson, the all-time rushing leader and scorer in the history of Alabama high school football, and over the last two seasons lost a total of twenty-six seniors that all played a major role in making four straight trips to the playoffs and winning a remarkable 47 games.

"I think every season is a transition and we aren't going to worry about that," added Cooper. "We are going to build a

team that works together as one, believes in itself and what it does, and will play hard. The goal is the same as it always is, to win every game during the regular season and win the last game of the season, sometime in December. We have one of the smallest senior classes in the history of the school, not just on the football team. So, we will be looking for not just senior leadership, but team leaders."

"I have watched every game from the last couple of seasons to reacquaint myself with the region we are competing in," stated Cooper, "and it is a challenging region and list of formidable opponents to say the least. I know what we have and have an idea of what to expect, and have the same mentality of the players in that we are Elba Tigers and we all know what the expectations are."

One change that will be noticeable to all Tiger fans will be on offense, where Elba will make a move from the wing-t to a more spread alignment, looking to move the ball around the field and not just rely on the running attack of the past four years.

"We will be more of a spread attack," admitted Coach Cooper, "and while we will still look to be successful running the ball, we do so with more of a committee approach with four or even five backs getting in on the action. We have a lot of really good players and we don't have to try and replace a 12,000-yard back all at once. We have to try and replace 3,000 yards a year and we can do that with different players touching the ball. That will be our philosophy, finding a way to get to 3,000 yards and how many players will it take to get there. A team-centered offense with a lot of folks touching the ball



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is good for the team on the field, and in the locker room as well."

Players expected to lead the way from the backfield include Cassidy Carpenter (6-1, 195), Tyceson Davis (5-11, 185) and Skylar Mitchell (5-9, 175), while sophomore Laquatos Edwards tips the scales at 200, and is making strides after missing the spring with an injury.

Elba still has three players battling for the starting role at quarterback in juniors Easton McKelvy and Jaden Baker, as well as sophomore Powell Bane.

"We are still trying to determine who will be the best fit for the offense," added Cooper, "but all three are quality players and the two that don't get the nod will start somewhere else and definitely be very valuable parts of the team. They all have skills and intangibles, and since we had to start from scratch I would say they have all worked hard and deserve a look as long as possible."

While the team numbers are small, the same can't be said about the offensive line, which Cooper says should be a team strength, led by senior Kaden Kyles (6-0, 240), juniors Matthew McCart (6-2, 240) and Michael Remley (6-2, 260), and sophomore Matthew Laramore (6-0, 195). Zariah Hill appears to have the edge at the other spot in the line, with younger players working hard to earn playing time.

"We have got a big, physical group of players up front," said Cooper. "They aren't five-star glamour players right now, but they are hard-nosed and tough players that are ready to play varsity football. The line may very well be the key to our success on offense in the fourth quarter."

While the Tigers passed only when necessary a year ago, this year's team is loaded with a big group of receivers, including Reggie Gilbert, Tyceson Davis, Anthony Mincey, Ky'Avian Stoudemire, Levi Martin and Knowledge Burks.

"We have a good mix of size and speed at receiver," said Cooper, "and they are a hard working group that understands their roles and will be ready to go when the season starts."

Over on defense the Tigers also lack a lot of actual game experience in close games, but have a number of players that have seen a lot of action and are now ready to step up as starters. Junior linebacker Mateo Jimenez and sophomore safety Tyceson Davis will be two names that should be heard a lot when the defense is on the field, with seniors Cassidy Carpenter and Anthony Mincey also expected to

play key roles.

"We expect to have two different fronts on defense," added Cooper, "one that will rely on its quickness and another that will be physical at the line of scrimmage. We will mix and match at times, I am sure, but we hope to keep the groupings together as much as possible to cause problems up front, and give some folks a break."

The 'quick' group is expected to include Anthony Mincey, Cassidy Carpenter and Laquatos Edwards while the 'power' group will include Kaden Kyles, Matthew McCart and Michael Remley.

Mateo Jimenez and Skylar Mitchell will man the inside posts at linebacker in the Tigers 3-4 scheme, while Powell Bane, Bryson Burks and Jaden Baker should all see action on the edge.

The defensive secondary will have a combination of Reggie Gilbert, Easton McKelvy and R.J. Melton on the corners, with Earl Tolentino and Tyceson Davis at safety.

The kicking game will find Tyceson Davis at placekicker and kick offs, with Reggie Gilbert to handle the punting chores.

"Our whole team lacks experience, which means we will need younger players to step up and be leaders," added Cooper. "Tyceson and Skyler Mitchell have been vocal

leaders in the summer and both have accepted that role. We will have a lot of players going both ways, but that is just what it is, and as the season progresses we hope to find some players

that will be ready to step in and give them breaks. The season will be a challenge; we all know that. However, we are all ready to get it started and grow as Elba Tigers."

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Elba Lady Tigers ready to tip off volleyball season

After making two straight trips to the South Super Regional, the Elba Lady Tigers have to be considered a team to keep an eye on as the 2025 high school volleyball season prepares to tip off.

The Lady Tigers, under the direction of Coach Maklyn Yoli, will open their season on August 26 and will face Brantley, Red Level and McKenzie in area play, as well as a non-area schedule that includes 1A power Pleasant Home, 2A Zion Chapel, 4A New Brockton and Pike County, and 5A Greenville.

Elba lost a handful of three-year starters last season that played a major role in the back-to-back trips to the Super Region, but appear solid in most positions, led by Keelie Moseley, Mary Brooklyn O'Neal, Jadyn Caldwell, Ja'Haira Walker and Miciah Smith.

The varsity roster includes Andrea Johnson, Javonnie Williams, Mary Brooklyn O'Neal, Miciah Smith, Keyunna Griffin, Channon Hooks, Akeelah Haynes, Chloe Russell, Stella Edgar, Layla Faircloth, Jadyn Caldwell, Keelie Moseley, Ja'Haira Walker and Caleigh Smith.

The junior varsity roster includes Piper Astemborski, Cora Mauldin, Kylie Lott, Lillie Hudson, Chloe Bobo, Princess Wood, Amilyh McCollough, Ava Wisecup, Na'Kia Hammonds, Oliviyah Hill, Mary James, Zoe'e Carpenter, Tabitha Brown and Ta'Mia Tillis.

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Volleyball Schedule

- Aug. 21 at, Zion Chapel JV (DH) 4:00
- Aug. 26 at, McKenzie JV-V 4:30
- Sept. 2 at, Pleasant Home JV-V 4:00
- Sept. 4 at, New Brockton JR-JV-V 4:00
- Sept. 9 at, Charles Henderson JV-V 4:00
- Sept.11 Zion Chapel JV-V 4:00
- Sept. 15 at, Brantley JV-V 4:00
- Sept. 16 at, Pike County JV-V 1:00
- Sept. 20 at, Northside Methodist Tourney JV
- Sept. 22 Greenville JV-V 3:30
- Oct. 2 at, Red Level JV-V 3:30

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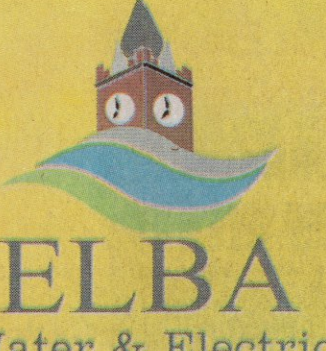
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Schedule for Fall 2025
Fall A – The Person of the Holy Spirit – Mondays [Aug. 18 – Oct. 6] 6-9 p.m.
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Fall B – Biblical Foundations 1 – Mondays [Oct. 20 – Dec. 8] 6-9 p.m.
The first section of Biblical Foundations will engage students in doctrines such as the Trinity, the second coming, the afterlife, etc. An Understanding of these Biblical founda-

tions will lead believers to a deeper relationship with God. Instructor will be Michael Davis.

All classes are held at the CCBA office, 603 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton.

Tuition is \$50 per course plus the cost of textbook.

For more information, contact Jud Waldrop at (334) 894-6411.

What does the Bible say about... Worship?

Article written by Douglas Williams



"True worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:23-24).

"Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker for He is our God" (Psalm 95:6-7).

"Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth" (Psalm 96:9).

"Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at His footstool—He is holy" (Psalm 99:5).

Since God desires that we worship Him, we should learn as best we can what worship is, and then strive

to worship in the way that would please God. Of course, we are not perfect and cannot perfectly worship God, but we should do so to the best of our ability.

Worship is defined as "The adoration, homage, or veneration given to God." This involves praise and doing those things the Bible teaches we are to do in our worship that will glorify God. The Bible tells us that worship is singing, praying, teaching, giving, and observing the Lord's Supper on the Lord's Day. In addition to public worship, we can worship God privately by singing, praying, and teaching God's word. But in corporate worship as we assemble together we are to give and observe the Lord's Supper on Sunday, the first day of the week (1 Corinthians 16:1-2; Acts 20:7).

Other words that describe worship include reverence, honor, adore, revere, magnify, devotion, admiration, serve. Worship is a pious, religious observance of showing the greatness of God as we figuratively bow down or do obeisance to God.

The Bible speaks of vain, ignorant, and will worship that is not acceptable to God (Matthew 15:8-9; Acts 17:23, 30; Colossians 2:23). We must worship the true God of heaven in spirit and truth (John 4:23-24).

A song states, "O worship the King, all glorious above, and gratefully sing His wonderful love."

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Accepting Your Role
Cheryl had been practicing for days looking over her script, reading it out loud, and perfecting her delivery in front of a mirror. She was trying out for the high school play and was hoping to be given the part of Dorothy in the school's presentation of the Wizard of Oz. Cheryl especially wanted to play the lead since this was her senior year, but Cheryl did not get the part; in fact, a freshman was assigned the role of Dorothy. Cheryl was understandably disap-

pointed. Later the director of the play approached Cheryl and told her that there were still a lot of minor roles to be filled, but not enough people to fill them, would she accept one of these? Cheryl could have said, "you didn't need me when I wanted to play Dorothy, the main character; now you want me for a less important part", but she didn't. Instead, Cheryl accepted her new role and worked hard at the practices. The play would not have been the success that it was if people such as Cheryl had not been available and willing to play the minor roles. Joseph also had to accept a role that was far different from what he might have chosen for himself. Perhaps he looked forward to a happy peaceful life in Nazareth with his new bride Mary. But God had another role for Joseph as the earthly father of the Messiah. Joseph humbly accepted his role and faithfully carried out all the responsibilities that went with it. When we are doing God's will no role is minor or insignificant. L.D.C

Question/Answer Section
Q/A for the week of 8/14/2025
Fill in the blanks – Use your concordance
Q) After his conversion, he spent time in the desert of Arabia sorting out what had happened to him.
A) Saul/Paul- Galatians 1:17
Q) He announced the coming of the Messiah by preaching repentance in the desert of Judea.
A) John the Baptist-Matthew 3:1,2
Q) God sent him into the desert to preach the gospel to a man from Ethiopia.
A) Philip- Acts 8:26

Thought to Remember
All are family who have God as Father and Christ as Elder Brother

Questions for the week of 8/21/2025
Multiple choice
Q) He wasted his inheritance on riotous living, creating for himself a metaphorical desert wasteland. (The son of Aaron) (The prodigal son) (The son of Jonah)
Q) They were miraculously sustained in the desert with manna and water from a rock. (The Gilgal) (The Israelites) (The Canaanite)
Today is a good day! Be grateful
Eria's Daughter, Sue

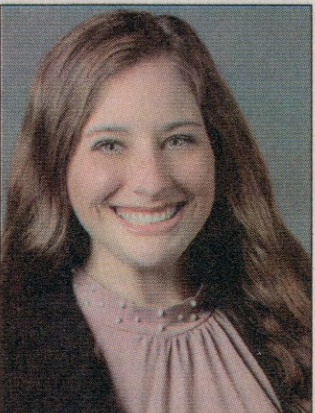
Enterprise's AGLOW International meeting set for Saturday, Aug. 16
AGLOW International of Enterprise will meet Saturday, Aug. 16, at 10 a.m. at The Gathering Room behind First United Methodist Church office (217 S Main St).
Guest speaker will be Janice Moore. She and her husband live in Enterprise and are members of Christ Community Church. She will be giving her growing testimony on how God has been growing her to live intentionally.
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